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IT'S TOO BAD—YES, IT'S A SHAME

If a stranger chanced to be in Tombstone when our fire department was in action, he would probably think that he was in Rip Van Winkle's home town.

Tombstone came in for its share of robberies last night, and merchants who were not "touched" are today congratulating themselves on their narrow escapes, and are having their back doors fitted with stronger bolts. Sounds like closing the stable door after the horse is stolen," but its true.

Maybe, someday, our prominent business men, or a majority of them will also be awakened to the fact that we are trusting to an unorganized fire department, but we sincerely hope that such a thing will never occur again in Tombstone. But just the same the big chance is being taken, which is made much worse by a certain element now in Tombstone.

INSPIRING FOR LAW

At Tombstone, Arizona, a few days ago a bootlegger was tried and convicted in 90 seconds, thereby establishing a record for the court. Coming as the climax of a long line of convictions obtained in the past few months it doubtless served to strike a species of terror into the hearts of those still engaged in selling liquor in Cochise county in violation of the law.

After many months of bootlegging, in which it seemed almost impossible to secure a conviction, in which respect for the law and for the courts seemed to have fallen to the depths, a stinging arraignment by the county attorney and by the sheriff of existing conditions and of the almost impossibility of obtaining convictions seemed to awaken the moral sense of the county.

From that time, conditions changed. Almost every bootlegger brought before the Superior Court has been convicted with no waste of time. The only fact necessary to establish was the guilt of the accused. It was demonstrated to bootleggers that as fast as a guilty man was brought to trial, the county jail gained an inmate.

The effect of the recent long string of convictions upon the whole community has been wholesome, inspiring a respect for the law and respect and admiration for the court and its officers.—El Paso Herald.

Information comes down from Tombstone to the effect that the fines and bail forfeitures coming in as a result of the prosecution of those accused of violation of the Arizona prohibition law will give full recompense to the county for all the money paid out to detectives and jurors in the trial of these cases. County Attorney Ross is to be congratulated on finding a system by which these prosecutions can be carried on without cost to the county. Already something like five thousand dollars have been made available from fines and forfeitures and the greater part of this amount has been turned in to the county treasurer.

According to figures given out by the county attorney this source of revenue will be more than sufficient to pay the detectives for securing the testimony and also to pay the jurors. So far as the other officers are concerned, their services are covered by their regular salary.

The fact that these prosecutions are paying their own way will be satisfying to the taxpayers.

Of course the prosecutions will not end with the cases now in court. As soon as they have been disposed of there will be other raids and these raids may be expected to be continued so long as violations of the law continue.—Douglas International.

It is not easy to believe that much of our happiness in life is self-inflicted, yet a careful study of conditions as they exist today force us to such a conclusion. It may be our present manner of living, or it may be some phase of dissatisfaction innate in the human heart and which has developed gradually from generation to generation; or it may be even pure contrariness of spirit which accounts for our discontent; but whatever the cause, we cannot help knowing that as a whole the human race is not as happy or light-hearted as it might be. So many persons go through life with a chip on their shoulders, so many have a grudge of their own creation either against a fellow being or a condition which does not please them, and rather than take the trouble and be fair and impartial enough to prove their contentions groundless, they prefer to fan their smoldering discontent into blaze which sometimes consumes their reason and makes them incapable of acting with common sense. Fortunately such cases are more the exception than the rule, yet, at the same time, there are many other persons who, while not going to such extremes in the blindness of their personal antipathies, are still unfair enough to nurse their grones at the expense of others as well as themselves. It is this latter class which yields so unpleasant an influence in all conditions of life—in the home, where perhaps its blight is the greatest; in the sacred circles of friendship, in business relations and in all forms of social intercourse.

WILLIAM JENNINGS TO SPEAK IN ARIZONA

PHOENIX, Sept. 10.—William Jennings Bryan is coming to Arizona next week. He will make his first appearance in Arizona at Prescott on Sunday, and will speak in two others cities after that, the two speaking places to be arranged after his arrival here. This was the information given out by C. C. Thompson, secretary of the democratic state central committee yesterday.

Mr. Thompson received a wire from the noted advocate of democracy yesterday that he would arrive in Prescott Sunday and stated that he would leave other arrangements to the democratic state central committee. Mr. Thompson stated that he would not go to Prescott to meet Mr. Bryan, leaving his reception there to local democrats, but intimated that Mr. Bryan would be in Phoenix shortly afterwards, when definite arrangements will be made. He was also of the opinion that Phoenix would be one of the cities in which the former secretary of state will speak.

ADIEU STAMP TAX: FAREWELL FOREVER

WASHINGTON, Sept. 9.—When the new general revenue bill became effective today business men throughout the country were relieved of the stamp taxes which they have been paying since December 1, 1914, and which were to have continued until December 31 of this year. The general revenue bill repealed the emergency revenue bill stamp taxes and the Internal Revenue Bureau has ruled that revenue stamps are not required after today.

The stamp taxes repealed include those paid on telegraph and telephone messages, parlor car seats and berth tickets, bonds, debentures, certificates of indebtedness, certificates of stock, transfer bills of sale, promissory notes, express and freight manifests of bills of lading, bonding instruments, conveyances, insurance policies, entry of goods, passage tickets, power of attorney, protests, perfumery, cosmetics and chewing gum.

STATE FAIR GROUNDS FLOODED BY STORM

PHOENIX, Sept. 12.—Cave Creek, in its mad rampage over the valley last night, had little respect for state property. The state fair grounds was almost washed out. Secretary Tom Shaughnessy stated last night, that he had a force of men at work and that in a few days everything would be as good as ever.

The mile track noted as the fastest oval in the United States, was washed out in two places. Yesterday there was still about four inches of water standing on both tracks, but the workmen were fast draining them.

About twenty head of blooded horses were forced to stand in water up to their knees all night. As soon as morning came, they were removed to two pens washed out, but according to Shaughnessy, it will require little work and expense to fix them up.

There was about a foot of water covering the floor of the fair commission offices, the only damage being done though, was the ruining of the new linoleum recently placed. The exhibit buildings were also awash, but no damage was done.

HERE FROM CALIFORNIA AFTER PRISONER.

Deputy Sheriff G. R. French, of Visalia, Calif., arrived in Tombstone today, having come here to bring back with him, Oliver H. Wratchford, a member of the 11th Infantry at Douglas, who was arrested through the office of Sheriff Wheeler. Wratchford is charged with statutory crime, and will be taken back by Deputy French to answer to the charge. Mr. French besides being a deputy sheriff, is also an old newspaper man and never misses a chance to record anything of interest. While here he visited all points of historic interest about the Old Camp and on his return will write a descriptive story about Tombstone for publication in coast papers. He leaves tomorrow with his prisoner.

"GIRL HOB" NOW IN COUNTY JAIL

Having been returned from El Paso charged with kidnapping a 13-year-old child from Douglas and bound over to await the action of the Superior Court on this charge, Billie Patterson, known as the "girl hobo" was brought to Tombstone yesterday and is now confined in the women's ward of the county jail, awaiting hearing.

When seen yesterday by a Prospector representative, the girl hobo appeared to be utterly unabashed by reason of being confined in the county jail on the charge of kidnapping, and denied the fact that she had kidnapped the Whitson girl, stating that the child had been mistreated by the people who had her in charge in Douglas, and she decided to take her along and give her a good home. "I did not kidnap her and never had any intentions of doing so, but I just took pity on the poor mistreated child, and intended to bring her back to Los Angeles to my parents, who would take care of her. Now don't you give me such a sensational story as those El Paso and other papers did. Lord, you'd have thought I committed murder or something like that."

When asked what she was going to do to try and get out of the scrape she said: "Hire a good attorney, I guess, or else wire my father to come here and get me out. But he's sore at me for going out on a hobo trip, and I don't want him to know that I am in this scrape."

The prisoner is not much over a mere girl herself, and is well appearing, and is preparing to make herself at home while confined in the local jail, awaiting trial.

Her trial will no doubt come up at this term of court.

OLD TOMBSTONITE MAKES BIG MINING DEAL

KINGMAN, Sept. 9.—Representatives of a syndicate of Chicago people yesterday entered into an agreement for the purchase of the Cyclopic mine in the Gold Basin country from Stanley C. Baggs, and \$50,000 payment was made. The deal was brought about by A. G. Frazier, who has been operating properties in this county the past year.

The Cyclopic mine has been operated by Mr. Baggs for five or six years, and during the time he has taken from one stop in the property between \$50,000 and \$60,000. The drift on the same level has been driven 300 feet in ore. A small mill has been crushing the ore, it being found necessary to crush the ore to pass through a 10-mesh screen after which all the gold, with exception of about 20 cents, is recovered.

The new owners are to at once remodel the mill and add greatly to its capacity. Development will also be carried on in the mine, a shaft to go several hundred feet below the present level being contemplated. C. D. Rookledge, well known in Kingman and Oatman, will be in charge of the property for the new owners. It is estimated that there is 50,000 tons of ore in sight in the mine at present, and many thousands of tons can be opened at small cost.

Mr. Baggs, who is selling the property has done an immense amount of work on the mine and has made it pay well during the past several years. He is an old newspaper man, having edited and published the Tombstone Epitaph and Prospector in the early days of the camp.

AIDS WOMAN WHO HAD ONCE BEFRIENDED HIM

PHOENIX, Sept. 11.—Mrs. Nellie Maury, a pioneer of Arizona, long a nurse and boarding house keeper in mining camps, now is selling newspapers on the streets. She has struggled to keep a little home in Phoenix on which a mortgage of \$700 had become due. Like manna from above the sum found its way into a Phoenix bank and the roof tree was saved. It had an earthly source, however, coming from John Lear, a Yavapai, Miss. banker. When he was a young man, poor, friendless and despairing, he was helped most substantially by the cheery Mrs. Maury and he never forgot.

GUARDSMEN WILL NOT VOTE IN PRIMARIES

PHOENIX, Sept. 11.—Members of the Arizona national guard along the border will not have a voice in the primaries tomorrow. Attorney General Jones, it is said, has declined to render an opinion on the subject.

At the request of members of the guard who have written them several citizens among them Recorder Vaughn, Adjutant General Harris and representatives of the governor's office have called upon the attorney general for an opinion. There are about 500 voters in the guard.

In most states there is no provision for the voting of persons who are absent from the precincts where they have gained residence, but it is pointed out that the laws of this state especially provide for that. Any qualified elector whose name appears upon the register of any county and who has not cancelled his registration as to his precinct, may obtain a certificate of registration.

Then "the holder of a certificate of registration issued in accordance with the provisions of this chapter shall be entitled to vote, subject to challenge in any precinct in the state of Arizona in which he presents himself upon the date of any election of state officials or of representative in congress or of United States senator, provided he makes the following oath, etc." The oath declares his identity, that he has not previously voted in any other precinct, and that he is legally entitled to vote in blank county. But he cannot vote for county officers.

These are the provisions with reference to general elections, and it is contended by some that they do not apply to the primary election.

FIND DEAD BODY OF YOUNG MAN

KINGMAN, Sept. 11.—Returning prospectors from the vicinity of the Mocking Bird mine yesterday reported finding the body of a young man lying on the dump of the Good Days' property with a bullet hole through the left eye. Coroner Listerud hurriedly departed for the scene of the tragedy.

Upon their arrival at the spot indicated they found the partially decomposed body of a man supposed to be that of Frank McCoy, a well-known prospector of Nevada. The only evidence of the identity of the self-evident suicide was a receipted bill from a mercantile house in Nevada made out in the name given. A revolver was lying beside the body and it was apparent to the jury that the unfortunate man had taken his own life. A verdict of suicide was rendered and the body, owing to its condition, was buried at the spot where it lay.

The only marks of identification was the tattooed shield of the United States on one arm with the word "Manila" beneath which was taken to indicate that the dead man had once been in the government service either as a sailor or soldier.

When the clothing on the body was searched \$20 in money was found in the pockets. The unfortunate man was between 30 and 35 years old and about 5 feet, 9 inches tall. Several old Nevada prospectors in Kingman know McCoy but there are some who believe that the body is that of Frank McClure, who answers the description and who was in the army at Manila.

REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES.

A distinguished party of Republican state candidates will arrive from Bisbee tomorrow enroute to Tucson. They will arrive on the first stage and depart on the noon train for Benson. The party consists of Thomas E. Campbell, candidate for governor; George Smalley, tax commissioner; and Doane Merrill, State Auditor. They will spend two hours here. A. H. Gardner, state committeeman for Cochise county will accompany the party as far as Tucson.

RETURN TO GLEESON.

John Gleeson and family, who have been making their home here this summer, left on Wednesday morning for Gleeson, Arizona, where they will again make their home. Mr. Gleeson expects to return to Duncan in the near future for a short visit, as he has interests in this vicinity which require his attention.—Duncan Arizona.

MEXICAN DIES IN ARMS OF RESCUER

TUCSON, Sept. 10.—Fear of the swollen Santa Cruz river in the midst of which he had been stranded for almost an hour shocked Carlos Garcia so severely late yesterday evening that he died of heart disease before he could be brought to the shore. He was 75 years old, a resident of Tucson for about ten years and had been at San Xavier for the past three days visiting friends.

Enroute back home to Tucson with Lionel Carrillo, Garcia was caught in the middle of the stream when Carrillo's Ford stalled. Several attempts were made to drag the machine out of the water, but each resulted in failure. The top of the car was put down to allow the occupants to escape in case the water turned the car over. Finally a wagon went to the car and occupants started to remove Carrillo and Garcia to the bank.

As he was lifted from machine Garcia collapsed. He was taken to the river bank by Feliciano Diaz. A physician pronounced him dead, attributing death to heart disease. Coroner O. E. Comstock was called and the body was sent to the Reilly undertaking establishment.

MORE VOTERS REGISTERED IN STATE THIS ELECTION

PHOENIX, Sept. 10.—There are over seventy thousand registered voters in the state of Arizona, according to up to the minute figures compiled yesterday afternoon by Secretary of State Sidney P. Osborne. Although the returns are not complete from three counties, the present figures show that there are 14,678 more voters registered for this election than were registered two years ago. Secretary Osborne in addition to pointing out that three of the counties had not made complete returns, called attention to the fact that between the primaries and the general election, there would be several thousand more registrations.

Following is the tabulated list of the registered voters:

County	1916	1916
Apache (incomplete)	865	781
Cochise	14,032	11,080
Coconino	2,601	2,497
Gila	7,701	5,246
Graham	2,940	1,498
Greenlee	3,077	2,709
Maricopa (incomplete)	16,022	14,655
Mohave	3,158	1,434
Navajo	2,185	2,014
Pima	5,283	4,077
Pinal (incomplete)	3,119	1,824
Santa Cruz	1,510	1,133
Yavapai	6,797	4,879
Yuma	2,851	2,520
Total	71,141	56,463

HIGHER RATES NOT TO GO INTO EFFECT

PHOENIX, Sept. 12.—News of interest to the merchants is contained in the special communication from the Interstate Commerce Commission to the effect that the proposed increases in transcontinental rates, east and west, which were scheduled to go into effect on September 14, has been postponed to the 30th of December. In the meantime, the commission will hold another hearing and it is possible that the proposed increase will be done away with entirely.

The Corporation Commission of Arizona has been active in appearing before the commission with the request that the rates be suspended, and this work has been supported by the Transportation Committee of the Chamber of Commerce. Several other rate matters have been considered by the transportation committee, and on application to the interstate commerce delays have been granted.

DIVORCED TWICE FROM SAME MAN WITHIN SEVEN MONTHS

PHOENIX, Sept. 11.—Two divorces from the same man within seven months is the record of Mrs. Emma Clark, who has just been separated legally again from Charles Clark. The couple had a homestead in Paradise valley. It was alleged that the husband slapped his wife.

HARNESS EVENTS AT STATE FAIR PROVING

PHOENIX, Sept. 11.—If early indications are a criterion, the harness races at the State Fair this fall will be by far the largest ever held in the southwest.

Friday, September first, was the closing day for entries in colt races, and a glance over the list of horses entered is sufficient to show one that considerable interest is being taken in Arizona in breeding of fast horses and from the enthusiasm by the local horsemen this year, these races will prove to be one of the big drawing cards of the fair.

With the closing date for entries in the aged horse events still four weeks away, Secretary Shaughnessy reports that he already has more entries for these events than were received altogether last year. The fact that the Arizona State fair is held late in November after all the other race meets are over tends to draw the horsemen from all sections of the country. The horses on the Grand Circuit and the Great Western Circuit will work south and wind up in Phoenix. The same can be said of those racing on the Rocky Mountain and Pacific coast circuits.

Efforts are being made to induce horsemen from all parts of the country to winter in Arizona, as the climate of this section affords ideal training quarters for horses the year around, and it is believed that several of the big eastern horsemen will winter their stables on the State Fair grounds this winter.

RETURNS FROM CALIFORNIA WITH EXTRADITED MAN

Deputy Sheriff A. W. Howe has returned from California where he went to secure the extradition of Abe Bargman, who was wanted in Douglas for the passing of several bogus checks last May. After the checks had been returned from El Paso protested, an effort was made to have Bargman arrested in that city, but he had left. The Sheriff's office continued to locate him and he was finally located in Los Angeles. Knowing that he had recently inherited considerable money and that he had recently married in Los Angeles, the matter of his extradition had to be handled with care so that he would not be released on a writ of habeas corpus. Sheriff Cline in Los Angeles located the man and the papers were taken to Sacramento by Deputy Sheriff A. W. Howe. As soon as he arrived there he notified Sheriff Cline to arrest the man. He was arrested in the afternoon and had engaged an attorney to represent him, and the next morning they were to make an application for his release on a writ, but before the writ could be secured Deputy Sheriff Howe slipped down from Sacramento with his Governor's warrant, and before the court opened for business, Howe had secured a machine and drove thirty miles into the country, where he stopped the Golden State Limited and was in Arizona before the attorney knew of his whereabouts.

Bargman was taken to Douglas where he will be given a preliminary examination on next Tuesday. He is a son of a wealthy family and has gone through thousands of dollars of money that was given him by his mother. His bride of a few months was wired when the deputy reached Yuma, and she joined her husband at Tucson.

GLEESON COUPLE MARRIED IN TOMBSTONE

Lewis W. Rader, of Johnson, and Ellen D. Taylor, of Gleeson, were married at the Congregational church by the Rev. A. Amundsen, last Saturday evening, having come over in an auto. They will reside at Johnson. Mrs. Rader is the daughter of B. A. Taylor, of Gleeson, while Mr. Rader is manager of Taylor's store at Johnson. Both are well known and popular among the younger set of the county.

FOR SALE.

Brass bed, Birdseye dresser, chiffonier, chairs, baby buggy, bed, high chair, etc.

C. E. LeBATT.
 North and 6th street. —Advt.